

the elite universities. Louisiana Tech also stands as one of the only universities in the country that offers a nanotechnology degree at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Their diversity within the program, and their excellence in both faculty innovation and curriculum ranks them among the best major scientific universities.

Louisiana Tech University also ranked tenth in the Nation for commercializing nanotechnology inventions, or the capability to process patents and turn them into profitable ideas. The university alone applied for 24 patent applications in the last year, 20 of which involved micro and nanotechnology, proving Louisiana Tech's dedication as a national contributor to the scientific spectrum. As Louisiana Tech blossoms, many profitable institutions have invested and settled within the university, such as Avoyelles Renewable Fuels, which is working to discover a way to convert biomass waste into a biofuel through a nanocatalyst.

I would also like to take a moment to honor Joshua Michael Brown. At Louisiana Tech University, he became this first person in the entire world to graduate with a nanosystems engineering degree. He will continue at Louisiana Tech University in order to gain his doctorate in micronanotechnology.

Thus, today I congratulate Louisiana Tech for its innovation in the ever-changing fields of science, and I look forward to the continued growth of the school and its students as they shape the future development of micro and nanotechnology.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) announced that on today, June 26, 2007, he had signed the following enrolled bill, previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

S. 1352. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 127 East Locust Street in Fairbury, Illinois, as the "Dr. Francis Townsend Post Office Building".

At 4:55 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 366. An act to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

H.R. 1065. An act to streamline the regulation of nonadmitted insurance and reinsurance, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1281. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain deceptive practices in Federal elections, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2011. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 100 East 8th Avenue in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, as the "George Howard, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

H.R. 2139. An act to modernize the manufactured housing loan insurance program under title I of the National Housing Act.

H.R. 2286. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, and the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure with respect to bail bond forfeitures.

H.R. 2546. An act to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Charles George Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

H.R. 2602. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical facility in Iron Mountain, Michigan, as the "Oscar G. Johnson Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility".

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 142. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that there should be established a National Pet Week.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 229. An act to redesignate a Federal building in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

S. 801. An act to designate a United States courthouse located in Fresno, California, as the "Robert E. Coyle United States Courthouse".

The message also announced that pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 4303, and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Trustees of Galaudet University: Mr. WOOLSEY of California and Mr. LAHOOD of Illinois.

The message further announced that pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER of Maryland, Mr. CUMMINGS of Maryland, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, and Mr. WICKER of Mississippi.

##### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, June 26, 2007, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1352. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 127 East Locust Street in Fairbury, Illinois, as the "Dr. Francis Townsend Post Office Building".

##### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 366. An act to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 1065. An act to streamline the regulation of nonadmitted insurance and reinsurance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 1281. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain deceptive practices in Federal elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 142. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that there should be established a National Pet Week; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 923. To provide for the investigation of certain unsolved civil rights crimes, and for other purposes.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2359. A communication from the Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Almonds Grown in California; Outgoing Quality Control Requirements: Correction" (Docket No. FV06-981-1C) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2360. A communication from the Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Grapes Grown in a Designated Area of Southeastern California: Change in Reporting Requirements" (Docket No. FV07-925-1) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2361. A communication from the Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Late Payment and Interest Charges on Past Due Assessments Under the Nectarine and Peach Marketing Orders" (Docket No. AMS-

FV-07-0012) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2362. A communication from the Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazelnuts Grown in Oregon and Washington; Establishment of Final Free and Restricted Percentages for the 2006-2007 Marketing Year" (Docket No. AMS-FV-06-0175) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2363. A communication from the Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Onions Grown in South Texas; Change in Regulatory Period" (Docket No. AMS-FV-06-0214) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2364. A communication from the Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "User Fees for 2007 Crop Cotton Classification Services to Growers" ((RIN0581-AC68)(Docket No. AMS-CN-07-0060)) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2365. A communication from the Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Regulations Under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act to Ensure Trust Protection for Produce Sellers When Using Electronic Invoicing or Other Billing Methods" ((RIN0581-AC53)(Docket No. FV05-373)) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2366. A communication from the Executive Vice President, Financial Information Group, Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, transmitting, pursuant to law, a copy of the Bank's 2006 management reports; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2367. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations; Grapeland, Elgin, Burnet, Cameron, Calvert, Junction and Mason, TX" (MB Docket No. 03-149) received on June 25, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2368. A communication from the Assistant Bureau Chief, Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 1.80(b)(1) of the Commission's Rules; Increase of Forfeiture Maxima for Obscene, Indecent, and Profane Broadcasts to Implement the Broadcast Decency Enforcement Act of 2005" (FCC 07-94) received on June 25, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2369. A communication from the Acting Legal Advisor to the Chief, Mobility Division, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules" ((WP Docket No. 07-100)(FCC 07-85)) received on June 25, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2370. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Idaho and Washington; Interstate

Transport of Pollution" (FRL No. 8330-9) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2371. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Iowa" (FRL No. 8330-7) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2372. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Buprofezin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8133-1) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2373. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tobacco Mild Green Mosaic Tobamovirus; Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8134-5) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2374. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Active Conduct of a Trade or Business" (Rev. Rul. 2007-42) received on June 25, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2375. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of the Model 1471/APX-119 Airborne IFF Transponder for Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2376. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Petition to Request an Exemption from 100 Percent Identity Testing of Dietary Ingredients; Current Good Manufacturing Practice in Manufacturing, Packaging, Labeling, or Holding Operations for Dietary Supplements" ((RIN0910-AB88)(Docket No. 2007N-0186)) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2377. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Current Good Manufacturing Practice in Manufacturing, Packaging, Labeling, or Holding Operations for Dietary Supplements" ((RIN0910-AB88)(Docket No. 1996N-0417)) received on June 22, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 185. A bill to restore habeas corpus for those detained by the United States (Rept. No. 110-90).

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1696. A bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-91).

By Mr. LEVIN, from the Committee on Armed Services, with amendments:

S. 1538. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-92).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 126. A bill to modify the boundary of Mesa Verde National Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-93).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 553. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Eightmile River in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-94).

S. 580. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to update the feasibility and suitability studies of four national historic trails, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-95).

S. 686. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Historical Trail (Rept. No. 110-96).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 890. A bill to provide for certain administrative and support services for the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-97).

S. 797. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail (Rept. No. 110-98).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 1152. A bill to promote wildland firefighter safety (Rept. No. 110-99).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Con. Res. 6. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the National Museum of Wildlife Art, located in Jackson, Wyoming, should be designated as the "National Museum of Wildlife Art of the United States" (Rept. No. 110-100).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

H.R. 161. A bill to adjust the boundary of the Minidoka Internment National Monument to include the Nidoto Nai Yoni Memorial in Bainbridge Island, Washington, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-101).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 376. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including the battlefields and related sites of the First and Second Battles of Newtonia, Missouri, during the Civil War as part of Wilson's Creek National Battlefield or designating the battlefields and related sites as a separate unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-102).

H.R. 497. A bill to authorize the Marion Park Project, a committee of the Palmetto Conservation Foundation, to establish a commemorative work on Federal land in the